

WASHINGTON, DC – Known fiscal conservative, Congressman Todd Akin (R-Mo.), has been tapped to join the House Budget Committee in the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Congressman Akin who is a known fiscal conservative and supporter of over-all Congressional reform released the following statement:

“I am very pleased with the opportunity to work on the House Budget Committee.

“November’s election has handed us a generational opportunity for real reform. It is absolutely essential for the new Congress to rein in government spending and establish a sound financial future for the next generation.

“I look forward to joining Chairman-elect Paul Ryan and both freshman and veteran Members of Congress in tackling that responsibility. From identifying and eliminating wasteful spending to examining the structure of the budget process, I believe the Budget Committee should be an important part of the House reform discussion and process.

Regarding the appointment of Akin to the Budget Committee, Chairman-elect of the House Armed Services Committee Buck McKeon stated that:

“Todd is a great choice for the Budget Committee and will add an important voice during the debate on how best to put the federal government's fiscal house in order.

“His experience on the Armed Services Committee as one of our subcommittee Ranking Members will provide critical insight as the Budget Committee conducts the important business of crafting our nation's budget.”